

VERSION 1102 | 5.28.11 RELEASE NOTES

New System Upgrades

SYSTEM

New Database Server Platform

Based on the complexity of the implementation of a new database server platform, no new features or enhancements to system functionality will be incorporated during this release. The USA Staffing 1102 release consists of the following system upgrades:

- Move from Oracle10g on Windows to Oracle 11g on HP-UNIX operating system.
- 32 CPU cores and 256 GB memory.

The *Oracle 11g on HP-UNIX* operating system platform will keep USA Staffing best positioned to provide the highest level of service. In terms of hardware, system servers were upgraded to *8 quad-core processors (32-cores) and 256 GB memory*. The former primary database server was a Windows server with 12 physical dual-core processors (24-cores) and 96 GB of memory.

This upgrade not only provides an increase in the number of processors and amount of memory but a major upgrade in processor technology as well. We expect anywhere from 2 to 9 times increase in the processing power as a result of these new processors. The primary benefits of this migration are the following:

- High availability features and database management tools improvements. The move to Oracle
 11g gives our database administrators improvements in high availability features and database
 management tools that aid them in keeping the various databases as up-to-date as possible and
 running as efficiently as possible.
- **Better Oracle support.** This upgrade takes us to what Oracle considers a Tier 1 platform. Oracle on HP-UX has long been a preferred platform for large Oracle systems which provides better support from Oracle across the board.
- **Performance improvements.** Performance improvements are expected with this move to a new software version.